

NEWPARK RESOURCES, INC.

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To our Friends in Wasatch County:

For the better part of this century, we operated either alone or in conjunction with others the Mayflower mining property in Wasatch County. We have produced hundreds of thousands of tons of ore containing significant quantities of gold and silver. We paid millions of dollars in State taxes being for many years the largest taxpayer in Wasatch County. During the last few years, the annual taxes were in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

We were also, for many years, the largest employer in Wasatch County and a large procurer of materials. Our employees were for the most part residents of Wasatch County and several generations of Wasatch residents worked in the mine. We were also a supporter of most County projects coming to the aid of the County where and when we could in connection with worthy civic causes.

Our operations closed in late 1972 because of metal prices, but we have continued to have a high interest in the resumption of mining because we believe that the value of the mineral reserves in the Mayflower properties remains high and that we may again be a large producer, taxpayer and employer.

— We are aware of long-range plans for a resort development at the Mayflower property. We are not at all unfriendly to that planning. We believe, however, that with the good cooperation of developers, the mining company and County officials, development and mining can proceed on a reasonable multiple-use basis, sharing the cost of County services and contributing to the tax base, employment and business in the County.

Because the Mayflower ores are deep in the ground, mining operations would, for the most part, be underground with limited surface facilities and even more limited surface activity.

We have many old friends in Wasatch County. The County has always been good to Newpark, and we have endeavored to be a good citizen of the County and the State.

We are hopeful that in the ongoing consideration of development plans for the Newpark properties, Newpark will not be forgotten or left out of the planning.

You can be assured that in our planning, we will not forget the County and its many good people.

If you support our position in this important matter, please let your views be known to your public officials.